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THE PEOPLE'S SCHOOLS.

The common school system of Virginia has many needs, but the first and foremost is more money. We are not paying our teachers, our division suporintendents, or the higher school officials a fair wage. We are not paying nine months. The sum expended in Vir- | ments says;

provide each county with an efficient ways recken with the minority.

a superintendent and that he should within devote his whole time to the service mportance. A few of the smaller counone superintendent all that he do, if his work is properly done.

next step of importance would consolidate neighboring schools herever possible, and this should be thether or not the the school to absurd extremes. instances, greatly to the imconsolidation, the wagon service is necessary, but that is an economy, if e understand, has the service been discontinued when once put into

In the interest of the public school system of Virginia, we submit these statements and suggestions to the con. Atlantic Monthly, explaining why of the country's gay young Sparke.

ABOLISH LOCAL HANGINGS. -Local hangings are barbaric and should be abolished. The crime for which a condemned person dies is committed against the State, and his execution should be a State and not a

local affair.

The question of expense is the smallest one involved, yet it is clear that executions held at long intervals in the several countles and cities are more expensive than if held regularly at some central point, where one gallows and one set of guards could be employed for the purpose.

Death in any form is horrible to the average mind, but death by execution nossesses a peculiarly weird and fasci nating horror. An obscure negre, whose death by natural causes would not be mentioned in the newspapers, will, if executed by the law, claim the intense interest of a community and perhaps of the entire State. The newspapers for weeks or months discuss his chance for life, and columns are filled with the story of his crimes, with the gruesome preparations for his taking off, with his protests of innocence or repentance, and with his expectations of bliss in the hereafter. of these things tend to make the malefactor a hero and to inflame the minds of weak and criminally inclined persons. Their effect upon the community where his crime was committed. where the convict is known, where the

membered, la unwholesome. And why should these communities especially the young, the sick, the morbid, and those who oppose capital punishment, be wrought up to fever pitch in order to punish a person for serime committed against the peace

victim and the deed are vividly re-

nation, at least they

murder of a deputy policeman,

man was to have died for the alleged with perfect accuracy. Governor granted a respite until Feb- station to follow a passenger train,

part of that usually staid old city. If stipulated five minutes. That is, when ed if the man, upon his conviction, had or ninety-nine times he does this and been removed to the Penitentiary, nothing happens. The tenth time of where he might have received a partithe hundredth time there is a reardon, a commutation of sentence or a end collision, and men's lives are respite without the dread of throw- snuffed out. ing a whole city into a parexysm of As with one rule, so with all. The Persons wishing to communicate with The lawless violence. It seems that the flagman of a stopped train on an open times by telephone will ask concommunity is divided upon the guilt track is under instructions to "go or innocence of this man. The .ocal back"a certain distance. He does so paper protests against the execution, if he thinks it is necessary, Otherwise A number of the jurors who convic. The does not go back at all. Not long

entine's Day be a bright and happy one regulations, because he thought them for the people of Alexandria, or will in this case superfluous, cost him hi-It be a day made dark by the shadow life. of the gallows and by the oppressive

onough to get a full term and an eff- circumstances to study the prohibition rule when it is obeyed one hundred clent service. It is estimated that question, reproduces some remarks of times out of one hundred. It is no proper education of the average pupil ours on the drastic prohibition law of rule when it is a ed through the should cost about \$40 per session of Finland, and in the course of its com- "judgment" of every man who has to

nine months. The sum expended in Virginia is about \$8.25 per pupil. The average cost of public school education in the United States is 17 cents per pupil per day. In New England it is 22 cents; in the Southern States as a whole it is 71-2 cents; in Virginia about \$ cents.

We have not verified these figures, but they come from a reliable source, and we believe that they are approximately correct.

But no matter what other States are doing, it is certain that Virginia is not spending as much as she should spend, or as sile is able to spend, for the education of the children. The school fund must be largely increased, and it would be, if only real and personal property

The Times-Dispatch has watched the control was worked and vocates of prohibition in this country who would have government—national, State and therein summicipal—go as far as the Flanish law-makers have gone, and therein shave may one of the dangers to their cause. If they seek to go beyond the limits of reason, they will fail to accompilish what might be a real good. Government, as our Richmond contemporary so the manufacture of all forms of intoxicants, and may also prohibit every form of traffic in them, however safely in a given instance, should be summarily discharged.

The United States Senate is not expending a band on the actions of the individual in his own castle. To undertake this extreme legalisation would be to cause contempt for the law and its exassion in every possible way. Justice and moderation are sessential in this business as in most others."

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be, if only real and personal property The Times-Dispatch has watched the will a vere assessed throughout the State at spread of the "prohibition wave" with density tion requires. That important question lar uprising against the liquor evil, Assembly adjourns. When all property good to the country, if it does not run is fairly assessed for taxation, the greatest of our school problems will trous reaction. It requires wise contained in great part, for several months of the country of the express companies.

It is an ill wind that doesn't blow a nickel or two into somebody's vesting procket. Georgia's no-license law geems to be netting a magnificent little thing for the express companies. superintendent and a competent corps prohibitionists must reckon not only with the outside minority, but with very large and powerful minority are prohibitionists and prohibitionists tion. The conservatives are opposed to a test between saloons or no saloons. but they will not vote for such a measure as the Finland law, nor for any

or forced by law, Any law which is so unpopular as to encourage its violation by citizens who are ordinarily obedient to law is a menace to the enthe increased attendance be taken into more harm in that direction than it can

WHY THE RAILROADS KILL.

"In some way we have got it into our heads that these rules are permissive, not posieive." So writes J. O.

Chedimes Dispaich and dignity of the Commonwealth? American railroads killed 5,000 last why should they be compelled to brood year and injured over 76,000. There over the legal tragedy until, in imagi- are plenty of good rules on the railnation, at least they road instruction sheets, rules designed "Hear the prayer the hangman's snare to prevent accidents. The trainmen is-At Alexandria last week a colored blame," says Mr. Fagan, apparently

ruary 14th, and the press dispatches runs one common regulation, "until ruary 14th, and the press dispatches runs one common regulation, "until add that before that action was taken to a passenger train." Nothing could be any plainer, simpler, or more explicit And hissed: "You stingy tighty!" PYMAIL. One Six Three One reary 14th, and the press dispatches runs one common regulation, ducting the post of the condemned man was taken to a passenger train." Nothing could be Daily without Sunday 4.00 200 1.00 .55 1.60 .25 1 nearby county jail for safe keeping. any plainer, simpler, or more explicit tect the man from violence, it was attention whatever is paid to it. The proof of a lawless disposition upon the engineer of a freight may wait the it was not necessary, it . .s an unjust it strikes him as necessary. If he sees reflection upon its people. Both horns no "reason" to wait, he pulls out on of the dilemma could have been avoid- the heels of the passenger. Nine times

When calling between 6 A. M. and b him petitioned the Governor for a ago, in a collision in this State, A. M. call to central office direct for 4941, commutation of septence.

Should the execution occur at the control of the contro flagman was killed on the rear car Should the execution occur at the of his own train. It is said that he expiration of the respite, will St. 'al- was asleep. His disobodience to the

ot on this side of the water that the two continents' Dickson: "I don't doubt it. Some of intellect is about in the made me feel like fighting."—London Tit-

have been solved in great part, for sevatism and good judgment and dis-adequate school funds would then be cretion to handle a victory, in any civic forthcoming, and with the monoy in contest, whatever the issue may be, hand, it would be a simple matter to the majority even in success must al-that without assistance in prosperous The Old Virginia.

with a small brains are said to be "the rule" in tropical countries, but it is hard to mention offhand any country where they are the exception.

the surface twenty minutes, remarks the Enttimore American. The sperm whale is thus but a petty piker when stacked up against Admiral Brownson.

Was the "anarchist plot" to blow up our fleet in Rio harbor designed by the author of the Japanese war-scare. There is a hard Brazil nut for some-body to crack.

An Hinols woman recently swal-lowed 144 needles by mistake. "A gross blunder," comments the Houston Post. And such a needles one!

Birmingham's increasing demand for water may yet land her in the Wall Street (N. Y.) class.

The Nevada miners who were en-ombed for forty-six days missed a

whole lot of Congress, anyway An English scientist announces that

insects blush.

Famous Words of Famous Men.

"Amicably If They Can---Forcibly If They Must." JOSIAH QUINCY, January 14, 1811.

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The speech of Josiah Quincy, of Massachusetts, in the national House of Representatives on January 14, 1811, on the bill "to enable the people of Orleans (Louisiana) to form a constitution and a State government," marked an epoch in the constitutional and political history of the United States.

Tor Mr. Quincy contended against the right of the Congress to admit as new States any territory that was not a part of the original dominion of the republic in 1789.

The advocates of the measure claimed the authority was fully granted for the pending action under that clause in the third section of the Fourth Article of the Constitution which says that "new States may be admitted by the Constitution which says that "new States may be admitted by the Constitution which says that "new States must be taken from "domestice" and not from "foreign" soil. Foreign self, according to Mr. Quincey was all such territory on this continent or elsewhere, that was not conceded to be a part of the United States at the time of their recognition as an independent government.

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The baseachusetts member to his wife, "came home the other day and told in a department clerk, had asked him (Coyle) how I behave in his house, for one of the Massachusetts Democrats had said it was thought I was Of all the lands which heaven o'erspreads with light."

The paragraph which included the
quoted words in the headline was
spoken at the beginning of the
speech. For its utterance Mr. Quincy was called to order by Mr. Poindexter, of Mississippi. Upon an appical on the point of order the "gentleman from Mansachusetts" was
allowed to proceed. Hildrath also
says, in Volume III. of his "History
of the United States," on page 226,
that these words were the first announcement on the floor of Congress of "the doctrine of secession."

The sentiments that arroused the
Congress and that attracted the attention of the people in these carly
days of the republic are as follows:

"Under the sanction of this rule
of conduct," said Mr. quincy, "I am
compelled to declars it as my deilberate opinion that if the bill
passes the bonds of this Union are
virtually dissolved; that the States
which compose it are free from their
moral obligations; and that it will
be the right of all, so it will be the
duty of some, to prepare definitely
for a separation—

—foreibly if they must."

"Amicably if they can-forelbly if they must."

Rhymes for To-Day

She saw him next in Heidelberg.
"Well, nothing could be rummer!"
Cried she: "You study here, dear Jurg?
Sighed he: "To be a plumber."

Of course, she tittered fit to kill And quickly grow hysteric; But by \$:30 he turned ill The old doe sobbed: "Enteric."

Till he grew better nightly; nd for that, ere he drove away, He thanked her quite politely. H S. H.

MERELY JOKING.

Permanent.

Bride of Some Months: "My tempers, roussly are trying?"

It: "At times."

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"On not not at all; not a minute. I don't cel so even when I'm cross. I'm no linearly lay volunteer. I enlisted for the war."—

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THE UNION PRODUCT.

so prominent a citizen.—Louisville Courier-HE fact is John R. Walsh is amazed and dodgasted to learn that a jury in this country can find a verdict against

count Sch — Sznch — Sczchneh — Misz Zaderbilt's young man, is ordering a fine reusseau, too, but nobody pays any atten-ion.—New York Mail.

"Mark Twain lost \$30,000 in a breakfast food company," says the Wichita Eagle. Mark is not the first man to have his faith in breakfast foods rudely shattered,—Wash-ligion Herald.

Voice of the People.

The Times-Dispatch will print signed letters on all questions which relate to the public welfare. Such articles should not exceed in length 150 words, except under exceptional circumstances, and should be signed with the tell name of the writer, not should hear his or her address. The name of the writer will be writched if desired.

Make Peddling a Misdemeanor.
Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—Kindly allow to to call the attention of our Delegates and Senators, through the valuable columns of your daily to the necessity of legislating peddlers in this and other cities of our State out of business. Every licensed retail grocery merchant, where there are peddlers hauling and hawking strain they sell in their stores (licensed situs), feel the need and know the want of it. Under his license the grocery merchant can sell at no other than from and at place designated in his license. They can only solicit outside trade by sonding out for orders; then from their store fill them and then deliver to customer. Can't hawk stuff from their wagons where their prove be found, as the peddlers wagon. The conducting of the results of the province of the results of reason becoming a discussed proposition, and the men in it are disgusted transportation, meals and rooms, for the doctor of the majority of them want to get out of it. It's so, Mr. Law maker. Now protect them. Repeal all present pediling laws affecting them; then grind out another making it a misdemeanor to pedule stuff that a retail grocery merchant or butcher solid. These men are entitled to their protection. Or allow them to pedule under their license to compete with pedulers. The dry goods, shoe and clothing retailer dealers don't want pedulers. Why then give it to the grocery man, the full clease to compete with pedulers. The dry goods, shoe and clothing retailer dealers don't want pedulers. Why then give it to the grocery man, the butcher, the fruit and butter man reprotect our merchants—their business, By so doing you will belp your State, your city, you gountry. Let the old institute long live. Lot us have it. Act quick, Mr. Lawmaker.

Very respectfully, GEO. E. ANDERSON.

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The Poe Centenery.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—To-day (January 19th) we stand midway between two notable anniversaries. Just one year ago they centennial of General Lee's birth was very generally and appropriately observed throughout the length and breath of our country. To-day one year hence will mark the centenary of the birth of Edgar Allan Poe. What will the South or the nation do on that day by way of benoring her great literary genius?

The question of a Zea manuament to

gentia?

The question of a Poe monument to be erected in Richmond, Va.. was agitated some two or more years ago. The Gouncil of the capital city discussed among other things an appropriation for this purpose, and at one time it seemed that the monument would be an assured thing. In a brief commonication to The Times-Dispatch the writer made the suggestion to the Poe Memorial Association that the menument be unveiled on the hundredth

Rhymes for To-Day

THE DOTTY DIALOGUES.

G. The Adventure of the One-Eyed
Duke.

SAID he: "The night is very dark—
I'd gladly get a hack but
My mothers turking in the park
Just tuning up her sackbut."

Quoth she: "Td rather walk, my dear—
I'm not too high and mightly."
And then she rose and tweaked his ear
And hissed: "You stingy tighty!"

Well, there was lemon pie for tea,
Alid quite a jolly party.
"Doar, red's your color," whispered he,
Aud hit the pie most hearty.

But by that night the news leaked
Out—
"Twas in the morning papers:
And straight he packed and mapped a
route
To Zulu after tapirs.

She naw him next in Heidelberg.
"Well, nothing could be rummer!"
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Guest for all poly—a year destined to be an elegant will not doubt grandly celebrate mountment.

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R. H. HUDNALL. Virginia Polytechnic Institute, January 10, 1008.

Heard and Seen

in Public Places

OMING in with a trail of bloodshed, the South Corolina dispensary is going out in a whirlwind of graft," said a lawyer from the Palmetto State at the Jefferson, "and the latest prosecution of high officials gives absolute proof that the system was the greatest efficience on of the gallows and by the oppressive thought of its ghastly work.

For years The Times-Digatch has protested against the benighted practice of local hangings, and the Legislander, for the sake of humanity and of an enlightened public policy, should abelish them without delay.

THE DANGER OF PROTHITION.

The Montgomery Advertiser, whose editor has been compelled by force of ours on the drastle prohibition law of finiand, and in the course of issuences to study the prohibition law of oppositions, the ments says:

"There are oversealous advocates of prohibition in this country who would have government—national, State and municipal—go as far as the Finish law-makers have gone, and therein lies one of the dangers to their cause. If they seek to go beyond the limits of feason, they will fail to accomplish what might be a real good, dovernment. "Yes: I've often shot at Windsor Castle."
"Ever hit it?"—Bystander.

Very True.
Sally Gay: "What a cunning little fellow Mr. Callipers is!"
Dolly Swift: "Cunning! Why, look at him—he's dreadfully bowdeged."
Sally Gay: "Yes; but that gives him such an arch look, you know."—Pick-Me-Up. although Mr. Tillman still maintain

"Give Senator Jeff Davis a Scott: "They say bagpipes are a great and he may cut out that violence of help on a battlefield. They prompt men to agrich."

Dickson: "I don't doubt it. Some of these I have heard on the atreet have often made me feel like fighting."—London Tillast night. "He was elected in Arkansas after a sensational campaign. Our property of the state of the sense to the sense to keep it up." said M. Percival Smith, of Little Rock, at Murphy's last night. "He was elected in Arkansas after a sensational campaign. Our people, or a majority of them, expected lim to show long ears, though I con-foss they were longer than my earlier measurments indicated. This offer from New York

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IN MARY'S REIGN

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CHAPTER V.—Continued.

The veil which usually enveloped Mirrab's head had fallen round her shoulders, her dress was of woollen stuff, open at the neck and short in the sleeves; the arms and hands, rough and clumsy in shape, betrayed the girl's humble origin, and the inkeness to Lady Ursula was confined to the tace and hair. But it was there, nevertheless; quite unmistakable, even bewildering to the two men who were gazing—speechless—at this strange spectacle.

Then Everingham put down the lanthorn. He dared not look at the Cardinal, half-fearing perhaps that the wild thoughts and schemes which had the same and far-seeing brain.

Strangely enough, at this moment in his mind at sight of this extraordnary freak of nature, and far-seeing brain.

Strangely enough, at this moment in the practiced diplomatist, the willy and unserupulous Spanlard, met the more as imple-souled Englishman on common ground, and at once felt sure of his one operation.

Both had the same end in view; a desire to break up any relationship whilch may have sprung up between the Duke's apartments and those alloted to the envoys of tha these alloted to the envoys of than these alloted to the envoys of tha these alloted to the envoys of than these alloted to the envoys of than these alloted to the envoys of than these alloted to the calloted to the envoys of than these alloted to the envoy of His Grace of Wessex and his numer CHAPTER V .- Continued

long contre table, half a dozen young gallants were idling over a game of heart?

But there was a feeling of obsession in the air, a sense as if something momentous was about to happen. Whispered rumours, more or less conflicting, were afloat, yet nothing definite was known. On the other hand, idle, far-fetched gossip was rife and was even g owing in extravagance as the evening wore on.

No one had been present on the terrace to witness the little incident which occured there carrier in the afternoon, save the three distinguished actors in the brief comedy scene: obviously from them nothing could be gleaned. The Gueen and the Cardinal would not be likely to enlighten the curious, whilst the Duke or Wessex, at all times reserved and unapproachable, could not be asked to give his version of the event.

The foreign envoys had very seen followed the example set by Her Majesty, and withdrawn from the circle which seemed more hottle to them than usual to-night. The Gardinal do Moreno and the Marquis de Suarez were the first to go. They occupied the magnificent suite of chambers wherein ill-fated Wolsoy had lived, sehemed and fallen. The more sumptions series of rooms beyond—those built with lavish extravagance by Kirg Henry VIII, for his own personal use—had been placed at the disposal

By BARONESS EMMUSKA ORCZY.

(To be Continued Monday.)





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